

Western Michigan University
Department of Health, Physical Education, & Recreation

Alternative Option for Health Education Endorsement

The purpose of the Alternative Option for Health Education (AOHE) is to allow already certified teachers who are *currently teaching health education in public schools* the option to obtain an endorsement in this field. Licensure requires that the candidate successfully complete the program **and** pass the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) # 43. This program will commence in the Fall 2007 semester and end at the Summer I (June) 2010 session.

Potential Candidates

Potential candidates for the AOHE Endorsement are as follows:

- graduates from a 4-year accredited institution who already have obtained Michigan teacher certifications in two, 6/7-12 subject areas other than health education;
- have **6 years of teaching experience in health education**;
- teachers that are currently teaching health education and/or sexuality education classes in public schools **prior to January 1, 2007**.

[Teachers who do not qualify for the AOHE Endorsement are encouraged to take the Regular HE Endorsement for licensure.]

Process

The following process should be used to take courses for this endorsement:

- Go online [<http://www.wmich.edu/admissions/graduate/index.html>] or contact the Office of Admissions (269-387-2000) for an application for Graduate Non-Degree Certification.
- Complete the application and send all official transcripts from previously attended institutions to Admissions, Seibert Administration Building.
- Send the documents below to the following person/address:

Professor Marianne Frauenknecht, Ph.D.

4024-6 SRC, Dept. HPER
1903 W. Michigan Ave.
Western Michigan University
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

- ☐ Letter of interest in the *Alternative Option for Health Education*
 - ☐ Letter from superintendent or building principal indicating years and course taught
 - ☐ Copy of ALL official transcripts
 - ☐ Copy of teaching certificates
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- Once completed, Dr. Frauenknecht will send a copy of the candidate's completed endorsement to the College of Education Office of Teacher Certification.
 - The deadline for enrollment into the AOHE option is **July 1, 2007**.
 - NOTE: **This process may take 3-4 weeks.**

Program Requirements

All candidates must meet with Professor Marianne Frauenknecht upon entrance into this program to determine courses required for successful completion.

Regular Endorsement Program			Alternative Option for HE Endorsement		
Course # (Semester)	Course Title	Hrs	Course # (Semester)	Course Title	Hrs
HPER 2200 (Fall)	Basic Health Concepts I	3	*HPER 7120: (variable credit 1-6) • 6-7-8 (3 hours) • 9-12 (3 hours) (Fall-Spg-Sum)	Professional Field Experience: “Correlation of Health Education Curriculum Development with Current State Recommendations” Project (based on HE courses taught during most recent past 6 years verified with letter from school)	1 - 3
HPER 2210 (Spring)	Basic Health Concepts II	3			
HPER 2220 (Spring)	Basic Health Concepts III	3			
HPER 3160 (Spring) or HPER 3500 (Fall-Spring)	Issues in Health Education or Modification of Health Behaviors	2	HPER 5160 (variable credit [1-4] and topic) (SumI 2008)	Issues in Health Education: Training Sessions for Michigan Model Secondary Modules (1 hour per module) (12 contact hrs = 1 semester hr)	1 - 4
** HPER 3120 (Spring)	Planning School Health Programs	3	**HPER 5120 (Spring 2008)	Principles & Practices in Health Education (Planning School Health Programs) <i>(Prerequisite for HPER 5140)</i>	3
* HPER 3540 (Fall or Sum1)	Human Sexuality Education	3	*HPER 5000 (variable credit 1-2) (Fall-Spg-Sum)	Studies in HPER: ISD 1- or 2-day Trainings • HIV/Sex Education • Healthy Relationships (12 contact hrs = 1 semester hr)	1 – 2
** HPER 4120 (Fall)	Teaching HE Skills & Strategies (MS/HS)	3	**HPER 5140 (Fall 2008)	Methods and Materials in Health Education (Teaching HE Skills & Strategies)	2
* HPER 4140 (Fall-Spring)	Measure/Evaluation of Health Education	3	HPER 5160 (var credit 1-4)	Issues in Health Education: Performance-Based Assessment (Learnport)	3
Minimum 18 hours required			Minimum 18 hours required		
* Required Course					
** Required Course from WMU					

Notes

- Candidate must pass the “Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) # 43” (<http://www.mttc.nesinc.com>) to add the endorsement.
- After completion of process, candidates who complete the 18-hour endorsement **MUST** file an application (including official transcripts of all course work used for certification) with the certification officer.
- Courses previously taken from other institutions will be considered during the past 7 years.
- Courses for this endorsement may also be taken from other institutions and transferred to this program.
- Methods courses **must** be taken from Western Michigan University.
- The following course(s) from HEPnetwork.org **may** be used for coursework:
 - Health Behavior: Theory and Program Planning (3)
- Teachers that are not eligible for the AOHE are encouraged to take the Regular HE Endorsement for licensure.

Sample AOHE Plan of Study

Semester	Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Grade
Fall 07	HPER 5000	Studies in HPER (for ISD HIV/Sex Ed Training)	2	
	KHS 6540 (Wayne State transfer)	Workshop: Performance-Based Assessment for Teachers of HE	3	
Spring 08	HPER 5120	Principles & Practices in Health Education [312: Planning School Health Programs]	3	
	HPER 5160	Issues in Health Education [316: Advocacy]	2	
Summer 08	HPER 5160	Issues in Health Education (for Michigan Model Module Training)	1-3	
	HPER 7120	Professional Field Experience: Comparison of Health Education Curriculum Development with Current State Recommendations	3	
Fall 08	HPER 5140	Methods and Materials in Health Education [412: Teaching HE Skills & Strategies]	2-3	
Spring 09	(HEPnet Transfer)	Health Behavior: Theory and Program Planning	3	